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Application Number	09/944,476
Filing Date	August 31, 2001
First Named Inventor	Satoru TANGE
Art Unit	1734
Examiner Name	Sing Chan
Attorney Docket Number	121027-071 (new)

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i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

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b. ☐ Other _____

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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group
Art Unit: 1734

Attorney
Docket No.: SHC0146

Applicant: Satoru TANGE

Invention: PROCESS FOR MANUFACTURING
ELASTICALLY STRETCHABLE AND
CONTRACTIBLE COMPOSITE SHEET

Serial No: 09/944,476

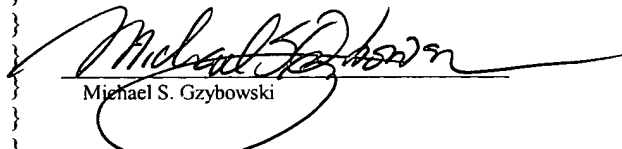
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to continuing the examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

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